

ETHOS & AIMS

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Aims

To be recognised as the leading co-educational school in the UK.

Vision for The School

To be a fully co-educational school taking full advantage of its location in Oxford, to which access is broad and balanced, in which staff and pupils together make up a diverse and mutually supportive community of learners, in which pupils develop self-agency through opportunity, in which there is a culture of service, from which pupils graduate with values for life and skills for the 21st century, and in which the estate and all operational structures facilitate sustainable excellence.

The purpose of The School

St Edward's seeks to benefit the public by promoting and providing for the advancement of the education of children in a liberal and open community. The School seeks to achieve that aim:

- by promoting scholarship through curiosity, creativity, collaboration, intelligence, innovation, and endeavour;

- by delivering excellence in teaching and learning, in pastoral care, in co-curricular opportunity, in working with parents, in sustainability, in all School facilities;
- by inspiring and celebrating commitment to service, within and outside the School community.

The Values of The School

St. Edward's was founded on Christian principles, which continue to provide the foundation for our values and which, through Chapel, remain central to the life of the School.

Integrity: the value of honesty to ourselves and to each other

- we seek to earn and to deserve the trust of others, by acting rightly and justly;
- we take responsibility for our words and actions;
- we acknowledge our mistakes and we learn from them;

Kindness: the value of love

- we feel and show compassion for others, always listening and seeking always to understand;
- we value, respect and include others without regard for differences;
- we treat others as we would have them treat us;

Courage: truthfulness to our values at the testing point

- we stand up for what we believe to be right, speaking up for ourselves and for others;
- we seek to bring out the best in others;
- we persevere with resilience, with forgiveness and with patience.